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Smallpox on vessels from Chilean ports.

The smallpox patients removed from the steamships *Guatemala* and *Mexico* subsequently died. The *Mexico* was treated by the Peruvian authorities and the *Guatemala* jointly by the service and Peruvian authorities. Considerably less than the usual difficulties in vaccinating and disinfecting were encountered. The entire personnel of the *Guatemala* (excepting immunes) were revaccinated.

The Director de Salubridad is taking active steps to prevent the introduction of this disease from Chilean ports, where it is still epidemic, and vaccination is being rigidly enforced throughout Peru.

On May 24 the Chilean steamship *Maipo* arrived with a case of smallpox on board and was treated by the Peruvian authorities. No further developments are reported from any of these cases, but I have not heard from the *Guatemala* since she left Payta.

PLAGUE.

May 21 to 31, 1905, inclusive.

| | New cases. | Recovered. | Died. | Remaining. |
|---------------|------------|------------|-------|------------|
| Lima..... | 4 | 1 | 2 | 6 |
| Chiclayo..... | 3 | 5 | 1 | 6 |
| Mollendo..... | 4 | 9 | 5 | 19 |
| Total..... | 11 | 15 | 8 | 31 |

All other lazarettoes have been closed. The Cerro de Pasco case died. The Callao case is being treated in the lazaretto near Lima. Peruvian authorities are again fumigating all outgoing steamers and other vessels.

I am indebted to the Director de Salubridad for the information concerning the status of plague in Peru embodied in this report.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

Report from Manila—Smallpox—Plague death at Cavite—Inspection of vessels—Restrictions put in force against Amoy.

Chief Quarantine Officer Heiser reports, May 26, as follows:

During the week ended May 20, 1905, the following quarantinable disease was reported for the city of Manila: Smallpox, 2 cases, no deaths.

Plague.—Owing to the annual increase in the number of plague cases at Amoy, and the continued absence of the proper facilities for the disinfection of steerage passengers at that port, it was deemed advisable to again place the same restrictions in effect which were in force during previous years. I have the honor to inclose herewith a copy of a letter which was sent to the American consul at Amoy in regard to this matter.

A case of plague was found in Cavite during the week. The case occurred in a Filipino female child about seven years of age and ter-